MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD OF INDIANA INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH 402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET ROOM W064 INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

John Strobel, M.D., President, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. A quorum was declared in accordance with IC 25-22.5.

Members Present: John Strobel, M.D., President

Kirk Masten, D.O., Vice President Victoria McCann, J.D., Secretary Bharat Barai, M.D., Member

Members Absent: Michael Busk, M.D., Member

Rebecca Mueller, M.D., Member

Staff Present: Darren R. Covington, J.D., Board Director

Professional Licensing Agency

Kimberly A. Letko, Assistant Board Director

Professional Licensing Agency

Jim Schmidt, Deputy Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General Brian Park, Deputy Attorney General Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted to adopt the agenda.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCarn, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Masten/Barai, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

The Board voted to adopt the minutes of the August 22, 2019 meeting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Barai/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

DISCUSSION

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Citations

The following physicians failed to answer yes to a question on their renewal application:

- 1. Junaid Akhtar, MD 01042096A
- 2. Mark Henderson, MD 01051084A
- 3. Thomas Kintanar, MD 01035043A
- 4. Sunthorn Muangmingsuk, MD 01056846A
- 5. Robert Potter, MD 01035268A
- 6. Jill Stanton, MD 01043976A

After discussion, the Board moved to IMPOSE a CIVIL PENALTY of FIVE HUNDRED (\$500.00) DOLLARS.

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

After discussion, the Board moved to IMPOSE a FINE of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$250.00) DOLLARS on the following physician for failing to answer yes to a question on their renewal application:

1. Shikhar Saxena, MD 01080168A

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

After discussion, the Board moved to not impose a civil penalty on the following physicians for failing to answer yes to a question on their renewal application:

- Michael Skulski, MD 01052032A
- 2. Steven Farmer, MD 01042770A

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Retirement/Surrender Requests

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the following REQUESTS for LICENSURE RETIREMENT.

- 1. Kevin Ronan, MD 01051528A retirement
- 2. Mary Rhees, MD 01034549A retirement
- 3. Roy Parke, DO 02000758A retirement
- 4. Nicholas Cataldo, MD 01072847A retirement
- 5. Lawrence DeGan, MD 01031914A retirement
- 6. Gregory Fox, MD 01044833A retirement
- 7. Carol Royer, MD 01030119A retirement
- 8. David Woodliff, MD 01023542A retirement

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the following REQUESTS for LICENSURE SURRENDER.

1. Kushal Shah, MD 01078267A - surrender

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Review of re-adoption analysis - 844 IAC 7; 844 IAC 9; 844 IAC 13

The Board reviewed the re-adoption analysis for 844 IAC 7, 844 IAC 9 and 844 IAC 13 in anticipation of re-adoption vote.

FULL BOARD APPEARANCES

Kristen Kelly, Project ECHO®, IU School of Medicine, appeared with Joan Duwve, M.D., IU School of Medicine to discuss Project ECHO®.

Dr. Duwve presented to the Board that Project ECHO® is a lifelong learning and guided practice model that revolutionizes medical education and exponentially increases workforce capacity to provide best practice specialty care and reduce health disparities through its hub-and-spoke knowledge sharing networks.

Ms. Kelly stated that Project ECHO® is a movement to connect local primary care teams with inter-disciplinary specialist teams to improve treatment for complex and chronic health conditions. ECHO® uses technology to facilitate mentoring and

knowledge sharing, enabling local primary care clinicians to provide best practice care for patients when they need it, close to home.

Dr. Duwve stated that research demonstrates that Project ECHO® can increase provider knowledge, competence, & confidence in treating patients with complex conditions, and improve access to care, improve patient health, and increase job satisfaction & retention.

Ms. Kelly stated that some of the benefits to participating are:

- No cost CMEs / CEUs
- Professional interaction with colleagues with similar interest
- Less isolation with improved recruitment and retention
- Resource sharing access to ECHO® materials
- Access to consultation with specialists
- Meets the requirement for CME to renew Controlled Substance Registration
- One of the requirements for ISDH Loan Repayment Program

FULL BOARD APPLICATION REVIEW

Rajasekhar Kolla, M.D. - Disapproved foreign medical school

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Kolla is requesting that the Board grant him a waiver of the approved medical school rule.

Dr. Kolla graduated from UTESA, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic in 2000, (a disapproved foreign medical school), and completed three years of post-graduate training at Mount Sinai Hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

After discussion, the Board moved to schedule a personal appearance.

Barai/Strobel, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Renewal Application Review

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

The Board reviewed the following renewal applications and moved to APPROVE them for RENEWAL.

1. Shikhar Saxena, MD 01080168A

- 2. Sherif Andrews, MD 01063948A
- Dai Takahashi, DO 02004194A
- Steven Farmer, MD 01042770A
- 8. Jason Fitzgerald, MD 01076416A
- 9. Narayana Swamy, MD 01042907A
- 14. Rebecca Brice, DO 02002952A
- Jeffrey Foy, MD 01053794A
- 18. Anne Glaser, MD 01067466A
- 19. Mark Henderson, MD 01051084A
- 20. Jonathan Johnson, MD 01069105A
- 23. James Mitchell, MD 01038540A
- 24. Sunthorn Muangmingsuk, MD 01056846A
- 25. Nicholas O'Neil, MD 01032111A
- 27. William Pierce, MD 01025010A
- 28. Joseph Riego, MD 01072320A
- 29. Michael Savino, DO 02004040A
- 30. Jill Stanton, MD 01043976A
- 32. Kral Varhan, MD 01067224A
- 34. Dekui Zhang, MD 01064890A
- 36. David Rex, MD 01069754A
- 37. Som Tyagi, MD 01072112A
- 38. Alison Wright, MD 01041053A
- 39. Gary Schraut, M.D. 01042571A
- 43. Ashwin Ravichandran, M.D. 01072393A
- 44. Jun Kim, D.O. 02004986A

The Board reviewed the following renewal applications and moved to REQUEST MORE INFORMATION to be reviewed by the Board at the next meeting.

Paul A. Conti, M.D. 01053089A

The Board reviewed the following renewal applications and moved to REQUEST a PERSONAL APPEARANCE.

- 1. Kirpal Singh, MD 01056157A
- 2. Joseph Koscielniak, MD 01028974A
- 3. George Cybulski, MD 01047695A
- 4. Adeeb Alshahrour, MD 01062054A
- 5. Anas Alzoobi, MD 01068310A
- 6. Ho Anh, MD 01079897A
- 7. Majd Arnaout, MD 01079008A
- 8. Robert Credi, MD 01044047A
- 9. Sunil Dedhia, MD 01065718A
- 10. Thomas Kintanar, MD 01035043A
- 11. Robert McKnight, MD 01069824A
- 12. John Oren, MD 01030418A

- 13. Songoli Umeh, MD 01078088A
- 14. Ira Wolke, MD 01052549A
- 15. Mohammad Ratnani, MD 01076746A
- 16. Sakib Khan, M.D. 01079206A
- 17. Erik Richter, M.D. 01067017A
- 18. Shailesh Gandhi, M.D. 01080640A (with additional requirement to obtain ISMA evaluation)
- 19. James Baumberger, M.D. 01039450A

Strobel/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Asha Thomas, M.D. - Has not practiced clinically since 2012

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Thomas is a board certified Pediatric Pulmonologist. After her fellowship in 2007 she was employed at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Massachusetts for five years. In 2012 Dr. Thomas decided to put her career on hold to stay at home with her children.

After discussion, the Board moved to TABLE Dr. Thomas' APPEARANCE until she provides proof that she has acquired a supervising physician and a re-entry plan.

Masten/Strobel, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Michael Bova, M.D. -Positive responses

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Bova's Illinois medical license was indefinitely suspended in April of 2016 for a minimum of three (3) years and he has not petitioned to withdraw the suspension.

After speaking with the Board, Dr. Bova decided to withdraw his application.

David Cook, M.D.- Positive responses

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Cook began a relationship with a person who did not disclose that she was on his patient panel at the VA until after they were intimate. He stated that he terminated the relationship as soon as he found out.

During PG-2 year, Dr. Cook left the program due to issues with the way the program director managed the residents.

After discussion, Board moved to TABLE until October 24, 2019 meeting.

Masten/Strobel, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Julio Galindo, MD - 01080465A - Positive response

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Galindo answered yes to the following questions on his renewal application:

- 1. Since you last renewed, has any professional license, certificate, registration, or permit you hold or have held been disciplined or are formal charges pending in any state?
- 4. Since you last renewed, have you had a malpractice judgment against you or settled any malpractice action?
- 5. Since you last renewed, have you been denied staff membership or privileges in any hospital or health care facility or have staff membership or privileges been revoked, suspended, or subject to any restriction, probation, or other type of discipline or have you resigned in lieu of discipline or termination?

Dr. Galindo was granted a medical license in Missouri on August 9th, 2019 with a reprimand due to a disciplinary action in Ohio in 2015.

Dr, Galindo had a malpractice case in Ohio in 2017.

Dr. Galindo had active privileges at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana from 2017 to 2018. When his privileges expired in October of 2018, Lutheran Hospital terminated his employment without cause.

After discussion, the Board moved to table renewal until Dr. Galindo provides a copy of NPDB report regarding privileges revoked at Lutheran Hospital, and Board member reviews it.

Masten/McCann, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Ayoola Awofadeju, M.D. - 01063569A - Positive response

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Awofadeju answered yes to a question on his renewal application, which asks:

"Since you last renewed, have you had a malpractice judgement against you or settled any malpractice action?"

The malpractice case against Dr. Awofadeju alleged a failure to treat acute oropharyngeal angioedema resulting in hypoxic brain injury and subsequent death.

After discussion, the Board moved to RENEW Dr. Awofadeju's LICENSE in the State of Indiana.

Masten/McCann, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Ramesh Unni, M.D. - 01058065A - Positive response

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Unni answered yes to a question on his renewal application, which asks:

"Since you last renewed, have you had a malpractice judgement against you or settled any malpractice action?"

Patient was seen for Polycystic Kidney Disease and chronic renal failure. Dr. Unni performed a bilateral complete nephrectomy. Post-operative care was forwarded to another physician. Patient's family sued Dr. Unni for failure to treat hyperkalemia, resulting in death.

After discussion, the Board moved to RENEW Dr. Unni's LICENSE in the State of Indiana.

Barai/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

<u>Umair Nazeer, M.D. - 01080299A - Positive response</u>

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. Nazeer appeared with counsel, Derek Peterson.

Dr. Nazeer answered yes to a question on his renewal application, which asks:

"Since you last renewed, has any professional license, certificate, registration, or permit you hold or have held been disciplined or are formal charges pending in any state?

Dr. Nazeer was reprimanded by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) for improperly supervising mid-level providers in his role as the Medical Director for "A Better Weigh" weight loss clinic, which was owned in violation of the Medocal Practice Act by an Illinois License Practical Nurse, who is the sole shareholder and president of the corporation. Dr. Nazeer had to pay \$5,000.00 in fines and complete fifty (50) hours of continuing medical education courses in practice management.

Dr. Nazeer showed proof that he had complied with the terms and conditions of his Illinois Board order.

After discussion, the Board moved to RENEW Dr. Nazeer's LICENSE in the State of Indiana.

Masten/Barai, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Benjamin LaHood, M.D. – Unapproved foreign medical school

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCarin, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Dr. LaHood appeared with Dr. LaHood, Dr. MacDonald, M.D., Program Director at Union Hospital Family Medicine Residency in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dr. Hood is requesting a waiver of the approved medical school rule.

Dr. Hood graduated from the American University of Integrative Sciences in Sint Maarten in 2017 and is currently in his second year of post-graduate training at Union Hospital in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dr. Hood currently has a post-graduate permit in Indiana and is Board eligible.

Dr. Hood presented a letter of recommendation from Kenneth Kigorwe, M.D., Faculty at Union Hospital Family Medicine Residency as well as a letter from his Program Director, Steven A. McDonald, M.D.

After discussion, the Board moved to GRANT Dr. LaHood a WAIVER and ISSUE his LICENSE.

Strobel/Barai, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Alan Olefsky, M.D., License No. 01047699A, Cause No. 2015 MLB 0042

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel, regarding a Motion to Dismiss scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

State requested Board to dismiss the complaint due to no further issues with this Respondent and due to the lapse of time since the complaint was filed.

After discussion, the Board moved to DISMISS COMPLAINT.

Masten/McCann, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

John Honnigford, M.D., License No. 01056668A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0002

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel, regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Alyssa Servies, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCanh, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

State requests extension of Summary suspension for additional Ninety (90) days due to Criminal Case hearing scheduled for 9/30/2019.

After discussion, the Board moved to EXTEND Respondent's SUMMARY SUSPENSION for an ADDITIONAL NINETY (90) DAYS.

Barai/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Benjamin Loveridge, M.D., License No. 01066134A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0014

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Brett Clayton, regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Jessica Krug, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCarn, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Both parties agree to an extension of Summary Suspension for an additional ninety (90) days.

After discussion, the Board moved to EXTEND Respondent's SUMMARY SUSPENSION for an ADDITIONAL NINETY (90) DAYS.

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Dean Wickel, M.D., License No. 01071869A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0031

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Barclay Wong, regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Alyssa Servies, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

State requested a motion to dismiss the summary suspension and allow it to expire, due to Respondent's compliance with ISMA.

After discussion, the Board moved to NOT EXTEND SUMMARY SUSPENSION.

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Darryl I. Henry, M.D., License No. 01063685A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0039

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel, regarding a Petition for Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Tina Mann, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting. Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

The State admitted the following exhibit into evidence:

Exhibit A: Respondent's Case Summary from Elkhart Superior Court; Affidavit to Show Probable Cause

The State presented evidence that showed that the Respondent has been charged with sexual assault. Respondent allegedly assaulted patients who were sent to him for physical examinations.

The State requests that the Board summarily suspend Respondent's license for ninety (90) days.

After discussion, the Board moved to SUMMARILY SUSPEND Respondent's LICENSE for NINETY (90) DAYS.

Barai/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Erick Falconer, M.D., License No. 01080938A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0027

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel, regarding a Petition to Modify Probation scheduled before the Board. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Respondent appeared before the Board to request that the Board modify his probation to allow him to provide medical services to correctional facilities through Wexford Healthcare, and not just within Emergency Medicine.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE THE PROBATION MODIFICATION.

Barai/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Kurt Froehlich, M.D., License No. 01044834A, Cause No. 2015 MLB 0049

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel, regarding a Petition to Reinstate scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Stacy Oliver, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Respondent appeared before the Board to request that the Board approve the reinstatement of his license.

State presented information regarding the Respondent's Indiana license history in that on September 11, 2016, Respondent's license was suspended for, years, due to Illinois license being revoked for assault of a patient. Terms and conditions included completing a psychiatric evaluation within nine ty (90) days of petitioning for reinstatement.

Respondent's Exhibits:

Exhibit 1: Respondent's Intake Evaluation; KSTAR Final Report; PBI Professional Boundaries and Ethics Course Certificate of Completion; Respondent's Re-Entry Plan/Boundary Protection Plan; Letter from Leia Leiser, Education and Development Manager, PBI Education; Email correspondence with Darren Covington, Director, Medical Licensing Board of Indiana, Professional Licensing Agency

After discussion, the Board moved to DENY Respondent's PETITION to REINSTATE LICENSE.

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Cheryl Westmoreland, M.D., License No. 01043110A Cause No. 2019 MLB 0033

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding an Appeal of a Civil Penalty scheduled before the Board. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Respondent is appealing the Board's decision regarding her civil penalty of \$250.00 that was issued In August of 2019, due to a death certificate that the Board had determined that she had not signed in a timely manner.

Respondent stated that the issue happened due to lack of communication between her employer, the funeral home and IDRS system.

After discussion, the Board moved to REVERSE the CIVIL PENALTY.

Strobel/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Timothy P. Deutscher, D.O., License No. 02003859A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0030

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding a Final Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

The State requests the Board issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

After discussion, the Board moved to ISSUE Respondent a NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEFAULT.

Masten/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Suresh Kodali, M.D., License No. 01034631A Cause No. 2019 MLB 0029

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding a Final Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

The State requests the Board issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

After discussion, the Board moved to ISSUE Respondent a NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEFAULT.

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Steven C. Marchino, M.D., License No. 01052937A, Cause No. 2019 MLB 0003

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Barclay Wong, regarding an Administrative Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Timothy Weber, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Respondent pled guilty to controlled substance prescribing violations on December 12, 2018. Respondent has a monitoring contract with the Indiana State Medical Association and is compliant with the contract.

Respondent has surrendered his DEA and CSR.

Respondent currently works for Wexford Healthcare in various correctional facilities.

Respondent's Witness:

Candace Backer, ISMA, Physician Assistance Coordinator
Michael Mitcheff, State Medical Director for the Indiana Department of Corrections

The State admitted the following exhibits into evidence:

Exhibit A: Respondent's petition to enter guilty plea

Exhibit B: Respondent's judgement accepting guilty plea

After discussion the Board finds respondent in violation of Count 1

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

After further discussion, the Board moved to PLACE Respondent's license on PROBATION, without the ability to petition to withdraw until federal probation has ended, and with additional terms and conditions.

McCann/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Carey Vigor, M.D., License No. 01069925A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0025

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Jeff McQuarry, regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Jessica Krug, Supervising Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Both parties agree to an extension of Summary Suspension until a final hearing is held.

After discussion, the Board moved to EXTEND Respondent's SUMMARY SUSPENSION until a final hearing is held.

Strobel/Masten, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

Terrence D. Haffner, M.D., License No. 01049031A, Cause No. 2015 MLB 0030

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel, regarding an Order to Show Cause scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Melinda Pickett, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

State presented information that Respondent will be on house arrest until January 2020. A letter from his probation officer was received.

After discussion, the Board moved to CONTINUE HEARING until FEBRUARY 27, 2020.

Masten/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

James A. Hartenbach, M.D., License No. 01069272A, Cause No. 2011 MLB 0011

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel, regarding an Order to Show Cause scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Alyssa Servies, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCanh, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

In March 2011 Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation with terms and conditions.

One of the conditions was to submit written psychiatric reports every six (6) months to the Board.

After discussion, the Board moved that Respondent VIOLATED the TERMS of his PROBATION.

McCann/Barai, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

After further discussion, the Board moved that Respondent continue the terms and conditions of his probationary order.

Barai/McCann, 4/0/0
Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai
Motion carries

Michael Porvaznik, M.D., License No. 01060166A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0013

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Michael Gaerte, regarding an Order to Show Cause scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Tina Mann, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Paula Morgan with Associated Reporting, Inc.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCarn, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D.

Probationary terms and conditions included 40 hours of CME, however, he had not completed the 40 hours of CME requested by the Board.

Respondent's admitted the following exhibits into evidence:

Exhibit 1: 44 Hours of CME completed by Respondent.

After discussion, the Board moved to find Respondent in violation of his probationary terms.

Barai/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries After further discussion, the Board moved to not take further disciplinary action.

Barai/McCann, 4/0/0 Aye's: Strobel, Masten, McCann, Barai Motion carries

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

John Strobel, M.D., President

Kirk Masten, M.D., Vice President